

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of the claims in the application:

1.-83. (Cancelled)

84. (Previously presented) A method of identifying a pancreatic tumor comprising the steps of: a) obtaining a sample derived from a pancreas; b) determining the expression pattern of galectin-4 in the sample; and c) comparing the expression pattern obtained in step b) to the expression pattern of galectin-4 specific to a pancreatic tumor, wherein a galectin-4 gene expression pattern in the sample that is similar to the galectin-4 gene expression pattern specific to a tumor identifies a pancreatic tumor.

85. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 84, wherein the expression pattern is determined utilizing DNA.

86. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 84, wherein the expression pattern is determined utilizing mRNA.

87. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 85, wherein the expression pattern is determined utilizing specific hybridization probes.

88. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 86, wherein the expression pattern is determined utilizing specific hybridization probes.

89. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 85, wherein the expression pattern is determined utilizing oligonucleotide microarrays.

90. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 86, wherein the expression pattern is determined using oligonucleotide microarrays.

91. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 84, wherein determining the expression pattern occurs by determining the level of a polypeptide encoded by galectin-4.

92. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 91, wherein the level of said polypeptide is determined utilizing antibodies.